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Chang, et. al.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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A. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of March 26, 2004, with a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 28, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and reexamination of the present application in light of the following remarks and amendments.

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